

House Resolution 1797

By: Representative Benton of the 31st

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending the Jefferson High School Dragons wrestling team; and for
2 other purposes.

3 WHEREAS, the Jefferson High School Dragons wrestling team has captured its eighth state
4 championship in a row, setting a new state record for most consecutive traditional state
5 championships; and

6 WHEREAS, the Dragons also hold the record for consecutive dual meet state championships
7 with seven wins; and

8 WHEREAS, under the superlative leadership of Coach Doug Thurmond, Jefferson sent 14
9 players to state, with six winning championships, five runners-up, and two third place
10 finishes; and

11 WHEREAS, the Dragons finished the season an undefeated 28-0 in dual meets and also 12-0
12 in tournaments, featuring state champions Lucas Redd, Zac Crosby, Jay Fowler, Jed Gurley,
13 Cam Thurmond, and Cason Thurmond; runners-up Cole Hightower, Patrick Allen, Wayne
14 Elliot, Cutler Finch, and David Barber; and Zach Allen, Kevin Anderson, and Ben Knight;
15 and

16 WHEREAS, the hard work, determination, and competitive spirit of these exceptional
17 grapplers contributed to the success of the Jefferson High School Dragons wrestling team
18 and will significantly influence their personal development and provide them with memories
19 they will cherish for a lifetime; and

20 WHEREAS, this talented and well-coached wrestling team has displayed the qualities of
21 hard work, discipline, and a commitment to excellence throughout this season, and their
22 community as well as the State of Georgia take great pride in the accomplishments of these
23 fine young champions.

1 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
2 the members of this body join in commending the members of the Jefferson High School
3 Dragons wrestling team for winning their eighth straight championship and extend their best
4 wishes for the team's continued success.

5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
6 and directed to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Jefferson High School
7 Dragons wrestling team and Coach Doug Thurmond.